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RESIDENTIAL FIRE

1462 Orr Street

MEMPHIS, TN - The Memphis **Fire** Department responded to an alarm of fire at 1462 Orr Street, Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 1:28 a.m. Upon arrival on the scene, firefighters reported smoke visible from the one-story wood frame residential structure. Rescue and Firefighting operations began immediately.

Twelve (12) pieces of **Fire**/Rescue/EMS equipment and approximately twenty-eight (28) emergency response personnel ultimately responded to the call. Acting Battalion Chief R. Dallas was the commanding officer of this incident. The fire was brought under control at 1:44 a.m. There were no firefighter or civilian injuries.

It has been determined that the residence **did not have** a working smoke alarm. The structure sustained smoke, fire and water damage. Total damage is estimated at \$5,000.00 structure and \$1,500.00 contents. The origin and cause of the fire was determined to be a space heater that malfunctioned in the bedroom. Red Cross provided assistance for two adults and three children.

The Memphis **Fire** Department urges all citizens to maintain a working smoke alarm in their place of residence. Check smoke alarms once a month and change the battery when you change your clocks. City of Memphis residents may apply for a **free smoke alarm** by calling the Fire Museum of Memphis at (901) 636-5650 or apply on-line at: <https://www.memphistn.gov/government/fire-department/free-smoke-alarm-application/>.

Always have a plan of escape in case there is a fire. Also remember that 9-1-1 is for emergencies only. For all other **FIRE/EMS NON-EMERGENCY** issues please dial (901) 458-8281.

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